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Arizona Department of Public Safety's Arizona Fraudulent Identification Task Force shuts down fraudulent identification operation *Two suspects face numerous charges*

Following a three month investigation by detectives assigned to the Arizona Fraudulent Identification Task Force (AFIT), which is administered by the Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS), two suspects have been arrested and face numerous charges related to manufacturing false identification and conducting an illegal enterprise.

Detectives had been monitoring the activities of David Diaz-Casdrejon, 20, a Mexican national, which culminated with his arrest on January 15th.

Diaz-Casdrejon was heavily involved with a fraudulent identification operation that has been under investigation since October. AFIT Detectives, with the assistance of Phoenix Police, arrested Diaz-Casdrejon, a.k.a "Luis", at 1533 W. Missouri in Phoenix on January 15, 2009 at about 3:00 p.m. Diaz-Casdrejon has a previous arrest for forgery and has a history with the U.S. Border Patrol for crossing into the U.S. illegally.

Also arrested was Marisol Diaz-Casdrejon who is David's cousin. She was in possession of a false I.D. and is in the country illegally.

Charges:

- 8 counts forgery
- 1 count trafficking in the identification of another
- 1 count operating an illegal enterprise
- 1 count conspiracy to commit forgery
- 1 count possession of a forged instrument

"The AFIT team has been very busy in the last few months dismantling numerous fraudulent identification operations whose sponsors derive profit from illegal immigration. This is an example of a thorough investigation that took another player off the street," said Roger Vanderpool, director of the Arizona Department of Public Safety.

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